

LARGE DEATH RATE  
AMONG IMMIGRANTS

Dr. W. A. Evans Tells Students Foreigners Bring Disease With Them.

## RAISES BIRTH RATE

United States Could Not Maintain Population Without Immigration.

"The best measure we have for the civilization of a people is the death rate of its children. If the death rate is low, the civilization has been found to be high in every instance."

"Persons who are susceptible to tuberculosis are almost immune to influenza, and those who are susceptible to influenza readily throw off the germs of tuberculosis."

These are two statements made by Dr. William A. Evans, health editor of the Chicago Tribune, in the University Auditorium this morning.

Doctor Evans dealt largely with the immigration problems of the United States; the advantages and disadvantages in a social way.

"It is true," he said, "that the stream of immigrants which poured into this country from 1880 till it was stopped by the war has brought numerous diseases that have puzzled our most noted physicians. In every instance the death rate of a people has been increased upon immigration to this country."

Doctor Evans told of the extermination by immigration of a people living on isolated islands in the South Seas who had reached a high plane of civilization with a low death rate, while living in their isolated condition. Immigrants entered their habitat and with them their many diseases which were entirely new to the natives. The inhabitants in time entirely were wiped out.

## Birth Rate Increased.

"The one thing the people of America should be thankful for to the immigrants," he said, "is that the birth rate is greatly increased by them. Statistics show that for a people to live, their average family must be between three and four children. If it were not for immigrants, our birth rate would be far smaller than that number."

Doctor Evans said that the Jews have the lowest death rate of any. This was probably caused, he said, by the fact that they isolate themselves from other people. The Italian immigrants were almost immune to tuberculosis but highly susceptible to influenza. Italy was the one country in the world that showed a higher death rate from influenza than the United States.

"The Scandinavian immigrants have been more of an asset than a liability. They have brought new discoveries as to the treatment of many diseases and they have experimented in their native land with the most serious diseases until they have just about been mastered."

## Negroes Are Tubercular.

"The negroes of this country are a very tubercular people," Doctor Evans said. "This was brought out by the influenza epidemic. The disease was watched in its southern travel and was found to completely miss a negro settlement where unclean living habits prevailed. The disease came up to the settlement then divided and went on each side."

In closing, Doctor Evans said that the American people were beginning to realize the importance of a physical education and training for our children.

Doctor Evans, who is an instructor in Northwestern University and who at one time was Health Commissioner of Chicago, is the first of a series of speakers to appear before the University students and faculty on the subject of health.

## MISSOURI TOWNS GROW

Sikeston Has Population of 3,575, Trenton 4,951, Booneville 4,665.

By United Press  
WASHINGTON, March 24.—The Census Bureau today gave the population of Sikeston, Mo., as 3,575; Trenton, 4,951; Booneville, 4,665; an increase in Sikeston of 2.48 per cent, in Trenton of 1.95 and in Booneville of 4.13.

PRESIDENT ANNOUNCES VIEWS  
Gives Attitude On Allied Settlement of Turkish Question.

By United Press  
WASHINGTON, March 24.—President Wilson's views regarding the Allied settlement of the Turkish question has been transmitted to Europe. It was announced today.

## R. O. T. C. OFFICERS TO SCHOOL

Normal Institution Will Be Opened at Camp Custer This Summer.

A normal school for officers will be opened this summer at Camp Custer, Mich. Several officers from the University of Missouri are expected to attend the school.

R. O. T. C. Parade for Miss Christy.  
The R.O.T.C. gave a parade at 4:15 o'clock this afternoon in honor of Miss Irene Christy, the honorary colonel of the regiment.

## THE WEATHER

For Columbia and vicinity: Unsettled weather tonight and Thursday probably with occasional showers; not much change in temperature.

For Missouri: Unsettled weather tonight and Thursday, probably with occasional showers; not much change in temperature.

Weather Conditions.

Low pressures obtain generally west of the Mississippi River and high pressures eastward. Light and rather scattered showers have occurred over the upper Mississippi Valley, and snow has fallen over the inter-mountain plateau and the Northern Rockies.

Moderate temperatures obtain everywhere, except the Rocky Mountain states, where freezing conditions are general. Unsettled weather will continue tonight and Thursday with occasional showers. Temperatures will not change materially.

Local Data.

The highest temperature in Columbia yesterday was 68; and the lowest last night was 57. Precipitation 0.00. A year ago yesterday the highest temperature was 42 and the lowest was 32. Precipitation 0.00. Sun rose today 6:36 a. m. Sun sets 6:24 p. m. Moon sets 11:27 p. m.

## FRENCH MINISTER COMING

Columbia Bankers to Give Banquet Tomorrow for M. M. Casenave.

The bankers of Columbia will entertain M. Maurice Casenave, minister plenipotentiary in the French diplomatic service and director-general of French activities in America, at a banquet at the Daniel Boone Tavern tomorrow night.

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300 IN MISSOURI  
PAGEANT TOMORROW

M. U., Stephens and Christian Students and Columbia Citizens Take Part.

## IS IN FIVE EPISODES

English Instructors Write Book Called "Missouri: A Pageant and Masque."

Tomorrow night the pageant of Missouri history will be given in the Hall Theater for the benefit of the student memorial tower.

Students in the University, Christian and Stephens colleges and Columbia High School, and citizens of Columbia will take part in the episodes and masque. Three hundred persons will appear in approximately four hundred different roles.

The pageant committee and writers of the book, "Missouri: A Pageant and Masque" which will be issued tomorrow at the performance, are: Miss Myrtle Ethel McGinnis, who wrote the prologue; Thaddeus R. Brenton, who wrote the "Founding of Ste. Genevieve," the first episode; Miss Marion E. Ryan and Paul M. Fulcher, who wrote the second episode, "Daniel Boone and the Louisiana Purchase"; Miss Minnie Brashear, who wrote the third and fourth episodes, the Missouri compromise scene and that of the Mexican War; Miss Ida J. Jewett, who wrote the fifth episode, dealing with the Civil War, and Miss Vivian H. Bresnahan and Ralph G. Taylor, who wrote the masque in the last part of the performance.

Paul M. Fulcher and Miss Marion E. Ryan were the editors of the book; Ralph G. Taylor, business manager; Thaddeus R. Brenton, dramatic director; Jesse E. Wrench, stage manager; Patrick Bain, assistant stage manager; Miss Helen D. Gath, director of dances; Miss Floy Ebert and Herman Altmsted, directors of music; Miss Dorothy Arnold, costume designer; Miss Zoe E. Smith, mistress of the wardrobe; Edwin M. Kerr, director of lighting.

Misses Zoe Smith, Lura Lewis, Wilhelmina Herwig, Buel Leopold, Mary J. Barnett and Mary Louise Brown and D. A. R. members assisted in making costumes.

C. C. Gentry and Miss Caroline Pickard are in charge of the scenery pictures. The orchestra is under the leadership of Miss Floy Ebert of Christian College.

Lieut.-Col. W. E. Persons has aided Miss Minnie Brashear in putting on the fourth episode, that which deals with the Mexican War.

One of the most effective contributions to the success of the pageant will be the costumes worn by Columbia women in the Civil War scene. One dress of particular interest, is of deep rose taffeta which, though sixty years old, hasn't a single crack. The breast pin worn with it is a miniature painting of a French ancestor of the woman who is wearing it.

Mrs. W. K. Freudenberger wears a dress in which there are thousands of little and big tucks.

Missouri Valley College at Marshall has requested the right of producing the pageant in its summer season. The money received for the use of the pageant will be given also to the student memorial tower.

Football Practice Starts

Twenty Old Players and 25 Freshmen Out for Work Monday.

Twenty old players and about twenty-five freshmen reported for spring football practice under M. J. Phelan on Rollins Field Monday afternoon. Special sections of punters, tacklers and forward passing classes will be arranged for by Phelan at once. Later he plans a series of lectures on the fundamentals of football. New interpretations of rules and points of strategy will be considered from time to time. That Columbians and students may understand more about the game and consequently be better prepared to take a part in the season next fall Coach Phelan has arranged to have his football talks open to all University students.

"We can't say that new men who return will have no chance next fall," said Phelan, "but one thing is certain, the men who get out now are going to have an edge on all other candidates when the permanent places are settled for the big games of 1920."

Will Give Lantern Lecture

The Rev. J. H. Lever, City Missionary of St. Louis, to Show Work There.

The Rev. J. H. Lever, city missionary of the Episcopal Church in St. Louis, will give a lantern lecture at the Calvary Church at 8 o'clock tomorrow evening showing the details of his work in St. Louis in the prisons, hospitals and other institutions. Tomorrow, the feast of the Annunciation, there will be a celebration at 9 o'clock of Holy Communion.

Choir practice will be held at 7 o'clock tomorrow evening. The usual Litany service, with address by the rector, will be held Friday afternoon at 4 o'clock.

N. Y. CITY READOPTS  
DAYLIGHT SAVING LAW

Renewal Threatens to Throw Traffic Into Confusion Throughout State.

## STATE AGAINST IT

Many Cities Adopt Plan, and Some States Are Considering It.

By United Press  
NEW YORK, March 24.—New York City has adopted a daylight saving law, which will go into effect at 2 o'clock Sunday morning. At that time all city clocks will be set back one hour.

The renewal of the national daylight saving law threatens today to throw traffic into confusion.

The New York Central Railroad will adjust its suburban trains to meet the new time, keeping, however, the same schedules.

New York state did not adopt the law. Connecticut has not adopted it, but Hartford has.

The New Jersey bill is now pending in the senate, having been adopted by the house. Massachusetts and Rhode Island bills are also pending. In Delaware, the plan was adopted by Wilmington and the bill has been prepared for the state legislature.

Other cities which have adopted the daylight-saving law are: Portland, Hartford, South Portland, Detroit, St. Joseph, Mich., Harrisburg and Pittsburgh, Pa.

## SEE SUFFRAGE DEFEAT

Majority of Delaware Legislature Pledged to Vote Against Amendment.

By United Press  
DOVER, Del., March 24.—At a bipartisan conference of anti-suffrage members of the Delaware legislature here today, twenty members of the house signed a written agreement not to vote at any time for ratification of the suffrage amendment. Three others of the thirty-five members are known to be anti-suffragists. Members opposing suffrage believe that the action today assures defeat of any attempt at ratification at this session.

See Delay in Delaware

Suffrage Leaders Would Bring More Pressure on Legislature.

By United Press  
DOVER, Del., March 24.—Suffrage backers today called upon national leaders to bring additional pressure on the Delaware legislature to ratify the constitutional amendment.

To Dedicate Building May 7

Governor to Preside at Ceremony Over Jay H. Neff Hall.

The new journalism building, Jay H. Neff Hall, will be dedicated Friday, May 7, during Journalism Week. It was announced by Dean Walter Williams Monday night at a meeting of journalism students. Governor P. D. Gardner will preside at the dedication. Three weeks after the dedication the School of Journalism will move into the new building, the dean said.

"Journalism Week this year will be a short course in good journalism," Dean Williams said. "None before has promised to have such a rich program as the one this year," he added.

The program for the week was outlined Monday, May 3, the Missouri Writers' Guild will meet. J. Brockenridge Ellis, of Plattsburg, is president of the guild.

On Tuesday, special features in journalism will be the program for the day. Wednesday is advertising day.

Thursday and Friday the Missouri Press Association will meet. Jay H. Neff Hall will be dedicated Friday morning. In the evening the "Made-in-the-Philippines" banquet will be given.

Seniors Are Champions

Juniors Lose in the Christian College Contest.

"Ray, Seniors!" sang out the mascot of the senior class of Christian College when the final basket scored in the senior-junior game Friday made the count 53-4 in favor of the seniors. James Edward, aged 4 years, was the mascot and his chocolate complexion was enhanced by a crisp white suit and a huge purple tie. All the senior class attended the game wearing white middie and purple ties.

The championship seniors are: Misses Carrie Pison, captain; Katherine Whaley, E'en Brooks, Helen Jones, Ruth Cannon and Georgia Pearce.

Colgate Company Is Indicted.

TRENTON, N. J., March 24.—An indictment alleging violation of the Sherman Anti-Trust Law was returned here today by the grand jury against Colgate & Co.

## CONTESTS CITY NOMINATIONS

Democratic Committee Says Petitions Are Illegal.

Friday afternoon is the date set by the city clerk, John S. Bicknell, for a decision as to the validity of petitions filed with him, purporting to nominate candidates for the City Council.

The Democratic central committee of the city has filed a protest with Mr. Bicknell, stating that the nominations do not conform to the legal requirements. If wrong, the petitions cannot be corrected now, for it is too late. Petitions of nomination must be filed with the city clerk fifteen days before the election; these petitions were filed last Saturday, the fifteenth day before the election.

To Keep Mines Busy

Government Will Lay In Large Coal Supply to Provide for Increase.

By United Press  
WASHINGTON, March 24.—President Wilson within a few days will sign an executive order to all departments of the government to store up three months' supply of coal during May, June and July. State and county governments will be urged to do likewise.

The result will be, in the opinion of experts, that mines will be kept busy during the dull season and such will be the saving that the 27 per cent increase in wages ordered by the commission will not be passed to the consumer.

Student Candidates Speak

Aspirants for Presidency Address Mass Meeting in Auditorium.

About eight hundred students attended the mass meeting last night where speeches were made by the candidates for student president. Doyle Cotton, student president, reviewed the last year briefly at the opening of the meeting.

J. H. G. Cooper was the first candidate to speak. He told of the record established by Missouri this year, and prophesied even a bigger school next year. He appealed for a closer relationship between the different organizations in school.

Fred Eldean spoke of Missouri's record this year and advanced the idea of a three or four-day homecoming next Thanksgiving week. He also advocated an organization similar to the old Ad Club.

John P. Randolph told of the need of student leaders to back Missouri as it becomes a bigger school year by year. He pledged himself, if elected, to form an organization that would put across the proposed memorial to former students and alumni who were killed in the war.

The Quadrangle Orchestra furnished music.

"Molly O'Keefe" Very English

To Be Given by Mary Arden Club of Christian College.

It will be very English, the play, "Molly O'Keefe" which the Mary Arden Club of Christian College, under the auspices of Miss Harriet Jean Trappe, will present next Monday evening—or so the program says. It has to do with the Buckstone family, father, mother, Billy, the lionized, Londoned son, and Molly O'Keefe, the only daughter.

Those who will take part are: Mary Hatton, Mildred E. Shoffner, Wilhelmina Owen, Betty Jane Hughes, La Rue Harn, Mary Elizabeth Gilbert, Madeline Mackechny, Faye Emelyne Overlies, Lou Anna Hale, Marion Bissett, and Ruth Adele Hombs.

Prairie Fires in Kansas

Farmers From Several Counties Fight Flames to Prevent Spread.

By United Press  
TRIBUNE, Kan., March 24.—Prairie fires, driven by a near gale from the Colorado line into Wallace and Greeley counties in the last twenty-four hours, made it necessary to call from the surrounding counties farmers to prevent further spread of the flames.

Bryan Says Saloon Is Dead

Expects Both Conventions to Declare Prohibition State Issue.

By United Press  
SPRINGFIELD, Ill., March 24.—"The saloon is as dead as slavery," W. J. Bryan, who is here today, declared in an interview. "I expect both nominating conventions to declare prohibition a state subject."

Larceny Hearing Today

Case of Frank Hudson Taken Under Adversity by Judge Bicknell.

The preliminary hearing of Frank Hudson, charged with grand larceny, was held today in the justice court of John S. Bicknell. The case was taken under advisement until tomorrow.

It is alleged that Hudson stole some corn near Murray.

Charles Weaver Marries Mary Gibbs.

Charles Wilson Weaver and Miss Mary Ella Gibbs, both of whom live near Columbia, were married this afternoon by the Rev. Egan Herndon in the Christian Church.

COMMUNISTS KILLED  
BY EBERT'S TROOPS

More Than 1,000 Dead—Belgians and Radicals Reported Fighting.

## GOVERNMENT YIELDS

Forced to Grant Demands of Extreme Socialists at Every Point.

By United Press  
MAYENCE, March 24.—More than 1,000 Communists were killed in a fight between Ebert troops and radicals in Weselgotha and Hennesdorf, according to a dispatch received here today.

Fighting between Belgian troops and German reds were reported in the Neuenberg district.

Armistice in Ruhr District.

By United Press  
PARIS, March 24.—A forty-eight-hour armistice between Communists and Ebert troops in Bielsfeld, Westphalia, in the Ruhr district has been arranged in order that Ebert's government might confer with a Ruhr commission.

It was believed, the communists were informed of the government's promise to Berlin radicals that the government will be reorganized with a Socialist cabinet.

Will Confer With Communists.

By United Press  
LONDON, March 24.—Gustav Bauer, premier of Ebert's cabinet, will leave, probably today, for West Germany where he will attempt to secure an agreement between the government and the communists. Herr Giesbergers, Socialists leader, will accompany Bauer.

The decision to enter into negotiation with the Communists followed a long conference of Bauer and the coalition radical element. Bauer finally agreed to all radicals demands. Ebert's government has agreed that the Communist leaders who control West Germany will not be punished.

Germany today is threatened with a serious food shortage, especially in Berlin and other large cities, unless immediate measures are taken to guard against it, semi-official advisers said today.

Observers here believed Ebert's government gave in to the radicals only as a last resort.

To Form Cabinet Soon.

By United Press  
BERLIN, March 24.—The formation of a Socialist workmen's cabinet under the terms of the agreement between Ebert government and the radicals will start late tonight.

Shaw Road District Dissolved

Court Appoints J. H. Glenn Trustee—Bond Fixed at \$1,500.

The Shaw special road district, a few miles east of Columbia, was dissolved by the County Court this afternoon. John H. Glenn was appointed trustee of the district and his bond was fixed at \$1,500.

This district is the third to be dissolved by the court, the other two being the Midway and Esley districts. A petition for the dissolution of the Providence district will be heard April 2.

Yeast Grocery Store Sold

E. L. Turley and O. McCammon Make Purchase—Former Real Estate Men.

The S. Yeost Grocery Store at 25 North Eighth street was recently sold to E. L. Turley and O. McCammon. Mr. Turley and Mr. McCammon are both Columbians and were previously in the real estate business.

The name of the store will be changed to Turley & McCammon Grocery store.

Club Will Elect Officers

Capt. Estes Will Address Meeting of Commercial Men.

Capt. Z. M. Estes will talk on "Americanization" at the Commercial Club meeting tonight. His talk will be followed by the annual financial statement and secretary's report, after which will come the election of officers.

Dr. Hill Talks at Berkeley

Attends Inauguration of Dr. David B. Barrows.

At the inauguration of Dr. David B. Barrows as president of the University of California, at Berkeley, Calif., yesterday President A. Ross Hill of the University gave the congratulatory address on behalf of the Association of American Universities.

Parts Chosen for Y.W.C.A. Frolic.

The tryouts for the Y.W.C.A. Frolic, to be given March 31 in the University Auditorium, has been held and the chorus selected. The Girls' Glee Club, Women's Athletic Association and several other organizations will take part.

Poultry Association to Elect.

The Boone County Poultry Association will hold its annual election at 7:30 o'clock Friday evening in the Commercial Club rooms.